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(U) PolOff on May 14 delivered reftel demarche points informing Kuwait of U.S. desire to have GOK subscribe to the Hague Code of Conduct Against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (HCOC). Dr. Hamad Bu Rahamah, Counselor in MFA's International Organizations Department, said Kuwait agreed in principle with the HCOC, but that Kuwait's Ministry of Defense has not yet decided whether or not to formally subscribe to it.

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